



## William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott

October 22, 2002 - January 28, 2022

FRANKFORT – William Anthony “Will” “Willy” Linscott, age 19, passed away after a courageous battle with several life-threatening illnesses which began with Acute Myeloid Leukemia at the age of 14. His battle with cancer with the help of his sister's bone marrow would extend his life another 18 months. Complications of his underlying disease would lead Willy to his first double lung transplant. Unfortunately, one year later further complications would arise which had then led Willy to his second double lung transplant. This would extend his life another two years. Willy was a Cancer survivor of just over 5 years before he passed away. On Friday, January 28, 2022, Willy passed away in the comfort and dignity of his home with his loving family and friends by his side.

Willy was born in New Hartford on October 22, 2002 to William “Bill” and Elizabeth “Beth” (Shaughnessy) Linscott. He attended and graduated from Frankfort-Schuyler High School/Class of 2020, and was the recipient of the Oneida-Madison-Herkimer School Boards Institute (SBI) Student Achievement Award. Willy wants to be remembered for who he was and not be known for his illnesses. He always remained a warrior throughout the many obstacles he would encounter throughout the past 6 years.

Willy Linscott was very unique and had a special way about him; he was known for having an understanding soul. Those who knew him found Will's perseverance, courage, and determination inspirational, no matter his prognosis or adversities. Often, those around Will were helped through their

own difficult times when they witnessed Will's tenacity. In particular, Will had the gift of a wonderful sense of humor. He could make all around him laugh—he was a real jester who could enliven any situation. He had a smile that could light up a room on the darkest of days.

Willy, a young man who loved his family, Willy is remembered for his forgiving and charitable heart. He also deeply cherished his friendships. An adventurer, Will enjoyed hiking and exploring the wilderness with these friends, and never let his illness stop him from seizing the day. His family considers Will lucky to have had such loyal friends. In their consideration, these friends always made sure to include Will no matter what his current condition was. They never saw in Will his disabilities or his illness and treated him just like “one of the boys.” Willy loved to have fun. He harbored a special appreciation for music, especially for playing the drums. He loved a variety of music and idolized classic rock such as Led Zeppelin, The Doors, The Grateful Dead, Frank Zappa, etc. He was quite an old soul in his zeal for artists from the 70's. Yet he was not to be pigeonholed, for Will also loved well-known Country Artist Jonny Cash. Additionally, Will was an athlete who excelled at track, football, and basketball, though basketball was his true passion.

Willy had a huge impact on the community around him and taught all those who knew him what life is really all about. He will always be known for his perseverance and courage. He also was an inspiration to many and always will be. He is remembered for his wisdom about life, as he exemplified many of the traits of a great philosopher. Willy was able to share his views with loved ones in such a way that they were often left inspired.

A very spiritual person, Willy held the belief that he had awoken or became “woke” after his second lung transplant. This manifested in a new perception of life and the world around him; Will began to see the material goods of life as less important and decided to focus more on deeper virtues and relationships – the deeper meanings of life.

Will is survived by his parents, Bill and Beth; his sister, Hannah; his maternal grandparents, Daniel and Judy Shaughnessy; and his paternal grandparents,

Clement and Toni Scalise. He leaves behind many great-aunts and great-uncles; as well as his aunts and uncles, Meghan Shaughnessy; Christinne Davis, Robert and Rhonda Christiansen, Christopher and Christin Christiansen, and Jeffrey Dilmore. Willy will be forever remembered by numerous cousins, especially Christopher Christiansen, Catherine Christiansen, and Andrea Christiansen. He was blessed with many loving relationships and many close special friends. Willy was predeceased by his maternal great-grandmother, Jane Bauer.

The family would like to extend their gratitude to the many doctors, nurses, and healthcare professionals that were all involved in his care throughout his fight. They all provided such loving care and Willy was special to them as well. The family would also like to extend a special “thank you” for all of the support given by the community who aided Will – for all the events, resources, organizations, and foundations that have been involved in Will’s Fight!!!

Visitation will be held on Sunday, February 6, 2022 from 2:00 to 6:00 pm at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

Will’s funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence at 6:00 pm at the funeral home immediately upon conclusion of visitation. Regardless of vaccination status, face masks are required to remain in compliance with the state and county mask order.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 6. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.  
932 South Street  
corner of Hammond Ave.  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 724-6714  
eannacefh@roadrunner.com

## Funeral Service

FEB 6. 6:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.  
932 South Street  
corner of Hammond Ave.  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 724-6714  
eannacefh@roadrunner.com  
<https://www.eannacefuneralhome.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ so sorry to hear of willy's passing.always smiling,  
never complained fun to have in class  
joet

joet - February 07, 2022 at 12:50 PM



“ [Memorial Trees](https://www.eannacefuneralhome.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was  
purchased for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.

February 07, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the  
family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



February 06, 2022 at 10:13 AM



“ [Memorial Trees](https://www.eannacefuneralhome.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was  
purchased for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.

February 03, 2022 at 07:34 PM



“ Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



February 03, 2022 at 06:44 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



**Cathy Duffy** - February 03, 2022 at 03:15 PM



“ Mary, John, Ryan & Patrick Lee purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



**Mary, John, Ryan & Patrick Lee** - February 03, 2022 at 09:33 AM



“ Hannah & John Banas purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



**Hannah & John Banas** - February 03, 2022 at 08:45 AM

AN

“ Anonymous lit a candle in memory of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott



Anonymous - February 03, 2022 at 06:33 AM

EW

“ Eric Wollman purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



Eric Wollman - February 02, 2022 at 10:59 PM

FS

“ FROM :LOUIS ROBINSON ( ROME SELECT) purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



FROM :LOUIS ROBINSON ( ROME SELECT) - February 02, 2022 at 09:47 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



February 02, 2022 at 09:18 PM



“ *Basket of Memories* was purchased for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



February 02, 2022 at 06:16 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket* was purchased for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



February 02, 2022 at 05:19 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



February 02, 2022 at 10:32 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



February 01, 2022 at 09:49 PM

BS

“ Bill & Divina Spellman purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



---

**Bill & Divina Spellman** - February 01, 2022 at 09:14 PM

DS

“ I will always cherish our relationship and friendship. Willy truly taught me how special life is and what it means to be strong since the beginning of his initial diagnosis. I am so grateful for the memories we have shared and will always remember the way he would make me laugh and smile so effortlessly. A piece of my heart will forever belong to Willy.  
Love, Dominique



---

**Dominique Spellman** - February 01, 2022 at 08:35 PM

LD

“ Love, Dominique purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



---

**Love, Dominique** - February 01, 2022 at 08:20 PM

DM

“ Donna Morehead purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



Donna Morehead - February 01, 2022 at 07:25 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



February 01, 2022 at 10:19 AM

CG

“ CBSI Technologies Group purchased the [Memorial Trees](https://www.eannacefuneralhome.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.

CBSI Technologies Group - February 01, 2022 at 09:10 AM

LT

“ Love, Nancy Zappone & Bob Tan purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



Love, Nancy Zappone & Bob Tan - February 01, 2022 at 07:16 AM

CD

“ *Cathy Duffy lit a candle in memory of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott*



---

**Cathy Duffy** - February 01, 2022 at 02:12 AM

CD

*We will never forget you Willy! No more pain and suffering. Watch over your family and friends. We love you sweet angel❤️*

---

**Cathy Duffy** - February 01, 2022 at 02:15 AM

SD

“ *Dear Beth and family, Your little man was beyond special. His beaming smile and the joy he spread will never be forgotten. Goodbyes hurt the most when one's life story is not finished. I am so deeply sorry for your loss.*

---

**Susan Dylis** - January 31, 2022 at 10:46 PM

MM

“ *Meghan and Mike purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.*



---

**Meghan and Mike** - January 31, 2022 at 10:11 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



January 31, 2022 at 09:36 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



January 31, 2022 at 08:19 PM



“ *Love, Great Uncle Dave and Great Aunt Dee* purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



**Love, Great Uncle Dave and Great Aunt Dee** - January 31, 2022 at 08:02 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet* was purchased for the family of William Anthony "Will" "Willy" Linscott.



January 31, 2022 at 06:21 PM



“ To the Linscott Family,  
Willy sure was one of a kind, he became part of your family after talking with him and that Great smile. Always upbeat during his hard illness that he fought thru like a champion boxer, making sure his family and friends stayed upbeat. He did anything he wanted, from visiting friends to keeping physically active even if everyone around worried that Willy was over doing it a bit. His trip with the guys he was close with and what a time they had out west. We all will miss Willy, his great conversation, his great smile, and his concern for evrryone, RIP Willy, we know u are smiling down and watching over us.

*Nick & Mary Parrotta, Naples Fl.*

---

**Nick Parrotta Sr.** - January 31, 2022 at 03:00 PM